

Candidate Introductions

Candidate Name: Brendan Kolding
Campaign Name: Kolding for District 1
Campaign website: www.BrendanKolding.com
City Council District Number: 1
Campaign Telephone Number: (206) 458-4408

Candidate Introduction:

Seattle is a smart city. World-changing ideas have come from here. These ideas have led to growth, and growing pains. Partisan politics in City Council has prevented thoughtful responses to these growing pains. Rather than being good stewards of city resources, City Council has focused on raising taxes and making it difficult for small businesses and families to survive. Thousands are homeless. People in need of treatment roam the streets. The police department is shrinking. Traffic is outrageous. This smart city is in crisis.

I want to create a regional network of emergency housing with concentrated social services. I want to make our police officers feel valued and empowered to do their job. I want intentional development practices. I want adequate public transportation. I want fiscal responsibility and transparent spending. I want to bring common sense and intelligent discussion to City Hall. I want to bring smart government to Seattle.

This candidate is participating in the Democracy Voucher Program.

Candidate Name: Jesse Greene
Campaign Name: Elect Jesse Greene
Campaign website: jessegreene.com
City Council District Number: 1
Campaign Telephone Number: 206-513-3480

Candidate Introduction:

Seattle is a generous, progress-minded city, but our City government is failing us. We need leadership that will deliver results on issues like affordability, homelessness, and transportation. Jesse Greene is running because he believes Seattle deserves the first step to those results is a City Council that will effectively advocate for Seattle's people and their priorities. His passion for public service runs deep. As a teenager, Jesse and his family experienced homelessness and housing insecurity. That led him to become an advocate on housing and affordability, including on the State Advisory Council on Homelessness, where he was appointed by Governor Jay Inslee. As the owner of Uncle Woody's Popcorn in South Park and resident of West Seattle's Alki neighborhood, Jesse will be a strong advocate for neighborhoods. Seattle is a great place to live, but we must tackle our biggest challenges. Vote for real progress – vote Jesse Greene!

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Candidate Name: Lisa Herbold

Campaign Name: District 1 for Herbold

Campaign website: district1forherbold.org

City Council District Number: 1

Campaign Telephone Number: n/a

Candidate Introduction:

I began my career in public service in 1998 and have served on City Council since 2015. From Alki to South Park, and neighborhoods in between, I deliver strong, responsive, and effective constituent services and policies to address Seattle's widening income disparity.

As your District 1 Councilmember, I helped pass model policies being replicated in other cities: Paid Sick Leave, Secure Scheduling, a Rental Inspection Program, Prohibition of Source of Income Discrimination, a \$29 million affordable housing bond, a criminal justice diversion program, and a legal aid program so people don't lose housing, public benefits, or licenses.

Before City Hall, I served my community in many capacities, including at a homeless persons' shelter, an affordable housing organization, a low-income Neighborhood Organizer and a Tenant Organizer.

I have a daughter, a granddaughter and grandson. I'm also stepmom to my husband Bob's two girls. I have lived in Highland Park since 2000.

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Candidate Name: Ari Hoffman

Campaign Name: Hoffman for Seattle

Campaign website: www.hoffmanforseattle.com

City Council District Number: 2

Campaign Telephone Number: 206-775-8767

Candidate Introduction:

Ari Hoffman is running for City Council, District 2, because the increase in people experiencing homelessness impelled Ari to create a healthier, safer Seattle. Seattle is ready for common sense, compassionate and practical solutions. Ari serves on the board of Jewish cemeteries, where drug dealers and prostitutes broke into private property, desecrated gravestones, and assaulted the groundskeepers.

Ari initiated media awareness campaigns, met with City Council members, community members, and the police department. In the process, budget issues, bureaucracy, and flaws in the system were exposed.

Ari opposed the Head Tax and, together with grassroots organizations, gathered enough signatures to repeal the referendum. Ari lives and works in District 2, where he and his wife raise their children, and employs people from all over Seattle. As a volunteer, he has spent years running youth programming. Ari serves on boards for multiple non-profits and helped build schools and community infrastructure.

This candidate is not participating in the Democracy Voucher Program.

Candidate Introductions

Candidate Name: Christopher Peguero

Campaign Name: District 2 for Peguero

Campaign website: christopher@district2forpeguero.com

City Council District Number: 2

Campaign Telephone Number: 206-665-4338

Candidate Introduction:

Christopher Peguero is a father, husband, and Queer Latinx and Native American advocate for environmental, race, and social justice. He and his husband Anthony live in Beacon Hill with their children Alexander and Adela.

Christopher has worked at Seattle City Light for over a decade where he has used the City's Race and Social Justice Initiative Tool to advocate for equity and justice. He is the founder of Seattle's SEqual affinity group and advocates for workplace equity regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity. His priority is working with community to foster transparency, equity, and cultural accessibility in government.

Christopher is a Seattle City Council Candidate in District 2.

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Candidate Name: Mark Solomon

Campaign Name: Friends for Mark Solomon

Campaign website: marksolomon.org

City Council District Number: 2

Campaign Telephone Number: 206-679-1162

Candidate Introduction:

My name is Mark Solomon and I am a candidate for Seattle City Council, District 2. I was born and raised in District 2 and am fortunate enough to live in the house that my grandmother built. This is my community and its people are my neighbors; I have experienced the changes and understand the concerns. For nearly 30 years, I have worked on public safety and quality of life issues impacting our neighborhoods. I have a history of bringing people together to effect positive change. For too long, City Council has deferred the needs and concerns of this District, so when considering any issue coming before the Council, my first thought will be how that issue impacts the District. I pledge to be responsive, accessible and accountable to the people of the District. I ask for your support, your vote and most importantly, your trust.

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Candidate Name: Tammy Morales

Campaign Name: People for Tammy Morales

Campaign website: www.votefortammy.com

City Council District Number: 2

Campaign Telephone Number: 206.399.0478

Candidate Introduction:

I'm running to build power for our neighbors in District 2. I believe in listening to your ideas and prioritizing those most impacted by city policy - our low-income and working neighbors, elders, immigrants, our disabled neighbors, and communities of color.

As a daughter of a single mother, I have seen first-hand the struggle that working families face trying to make ends meet.

Fighting for working families is why I'm an organizer with the Rainier Beach Action Coalition. It's why I'm co-chair of the Seattle Human Rights Commission. It's why Congresswoman Jayapal called me a champion for working families when she endorsed me in this race.

It is time for the city to work for all of us, not just the wealthy few. If elected, I promise to continue listening to you and to bring your voices to City Hall.

I ask for your vote and vouchers.

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Candidate Name: Pat Murakami

Campaign Name: Pat for Seattle

Campaign website: www.patforseattle.org

City Council District Number: 3

Campaign Telephone Number: 206.383.3384

Candidate Introduction:

Hello, District 3 voters.

I am running for the Seattle City Council because we can do better.

I have lived in the district for more than 35 years and have been a neighborhood volunteer for 20+ years.

As the owner of an IT business (30+ years), I have helped many businesses throughout the city, and understand what is required to create living-wage jobs. I stopped Mayor Nickels from using eminent domain to force immigrant and low-income property owners to sell their properties at a discount to developers.

If elected, I promise:

To always be available to address to your concerns.

Stand up to big developers.

Create more affordable housing, especially for families with children.

Charge developers impact fees for infrastructure.

Provide on-demand drug rehabilitation, mental health and support services.

Create home buying program for first responders, teachers, nurses, tradespeople.

Create living wage jobs.

Support small businesses.

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Candidate Name: Abel Pacheco

Campaign Name: Abel 4 Seattle

Campaign website: www.abel4seattle.com

City Council District Number: 4

Campaign Telephone Number: (425)954-6778

Candidate Introduction:

Our city's biggest challenges- housing affordability, homelessness, transportation- are challenges that require new leadership. As a son of immigrants, I understand that everybody deserves access to opportunity. As our city grows, we should be listening to each other and responding with policies that keep everyone in our region moving forward. This is why I'm running to represent District 4- I'm willing to listen and able to lead.

As Director of Strategic Engagement for Washington MESA, a STEM pathway program for young women and students of color, I have led expansion efforts to ensure more youth receive the support they need to fulfill their passions.

I have been active in the community by volunteering with the following organizations: United Way's Public Policy Committee; Plymouth Housing; King County's Office of Law Enforcement Oversight Committee; Wallingford Community Council, and AFT Local 1789.

I have lived in Wedgwood, Wallingford, and currently reside in Ravenna.

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Candidate Name: Alex Pedersen

Campaign Name: Elect Alex Pedersen

Campaign website: www.ElectAlexPedersen.org

City Council District Number: 4

Campaign Telephone Number: 206-502-9092

Candidate Introduction:

Alex Pedersen is running for City Council to increase accountability. After earning a Master of Government Administration, Alex served at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development during the Clinton Administration. Alex's career includes over 15 years in the private sector as a manager of financial analysts to fund the preservation of affordable housing.

Alex served as Legislative Aide for City Council President Tim Burgess who chaired the Budget Committee. Alex crafted the resolution for the high-quality Seattle Preschool Program enacted by voters in 2014. Alex led efforts to fund Nurse Family Partnership, the evidence-based program empowering low-income moms and their infants.

To bring needed attention to the community issues and small businesses of Northeast Seattle, Alex published a neighborhood newsletter for the past 5 years.

Alex's wife was born and raised in Seattle and, for over a decade, they have been raising their children near Candy Cane Lane.

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Candidate Name: Cathy Tuttle

Campaign Name: Friends of Cathy Tuttle

Campaign website: <http://cathy4council.org/>

City Council District Number: 4

Campaign Telephone Number: (360) 362-9739

Candidate Introduction:

I want to enjoy growing old in the city that I love. I want my children, and all of our children, to be able to choose to live happy, productive lives here too. I raised my two children in the same Wallingford house I live in today.

We are in a time when our decisions will dramatically shape our future. I can help.

I have 30 years of experience serving people in Seattle, with the Planning Commission, and with Seattle Parks managing projects for 40 parks and community centers. Then I founded non-profits 350 Seattle and Seattle Neighborhood Greenway to improve climate and street safety.

I'm excited to hear your ideas as I work to earn your support. I promise to continue to bring your voices to City Hall as your representative.

I humbly ask for your vote, your vouchers, and your support to serve you on Seattle City Council.

This candidate is participating in the Democracy Voucher Program.

Candidate Name: Emily Myers

Campaign Name: Friends of Emily Myers

Campaign website: <https://emilyforseattle.com>

City Council District Number: 4

Campaign Telephone Number: 360-559-1486

Candidate Introduction:

Emily Myers is a scientist and labor organizer running for Seattle City Council. In addition to her work at the University of Washington developing tools to study Parkinson's Disease, she is on the executive board of her union UAW4121, a delegate to the MLK Labor Council, a leader in 500 Women Scientists, a co-founder of the Washington Science Policy Network, and a former Precinct Committee Officer in the 43rd District Democrats. Emily believes Seattle needs compassionate, evidence-based policies that center the rights of workers, families, and our most vulnerable communities. Emily will fight for housing for all, affordable childcare and early learning, better pay and benefits to close the gender wage gap, and urban development & transportation that reduces our carbon footprint. Pledge your democracy vouchers, volunteer, or learn more at her website emilyforseattle.com

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Candidate Name: Ethan Hunter

Campaign Name: Ethan Hunter 4 Seattle City Council

Campaign website: <https://hunter4seattlecitycouncil.com/>

City Council District Number: 4

Campaign Telephone Number: (206)-535-5733

Candidate Introduction:

Ethan Hunter is running for City Council in Seattle's 4th district because of his passion for the issues that matter most to the residents of Northeast Seattle: helping our city's homeless and most vulnerable, making higher education more accessible, addressing the gender and racial pay-gap, expanding public transportation in a cost-effective way, and protecting our environment. He's committed to coordinating with fellow council members, community leaders, activists, and local businesses to create actionable plans that effect change. As a product of Seattle Public Schools, Ethan is uniquely in tune with the challenges our students and teachers face. As a working-class student, he's uniquely qualified to represent the working-class people of Northeast Seattle. Ethan resides in the U-District. He enjoys spending time with his dogs, Castro and Jose, watching Seahawks and Mariners games, and volunteering for political campaigns.

This candidate is not participating in the Democracy Voucher Program.

Candidate Name: Joshua Newman

Campaign Name: Vote Joshua Newman

Campaign website: votenewman.com

City Council District Number: 4

Campaign Telephone Number: 206-963-2397

Candidate Introduction:

As Seattle grows, we need leaders who connect our values as a community to a vision for the future. The City Council must be responsive to the needs our residents while also being accountable and accessible to the public it serves. Joshua Newman has lived in Seattle for two decades and is now raising his four children here with his wife, Emily. As a Boeing Industrial Engineer, former Maple Leaf Community Council President, and longtime transit advocate, Joshua will fight for our neighborhoods, protect living wage jobs and our environment, and work tirelessly to reverse the damaging effects of our affordability and housing crises. His life's work has been to solve problems by bringing everyone to the table. He is exactly what Seattle needs at this moment, for our shared future. Joshua is proud to be participating in the Democracy Voucher program and would be honored to earn your vote.

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Candidate Name: Sasha Anderson

Campaign Name: Sasha For 4

Campaign website: sashafor4.org

City Council District Number: 4

Campaign Telephone Number: 206-228-6845

Candidate Introduction:

Hi, I'm Sasha. I am a 12-year resident of District 4, a regular at Greenlake, and a renter aspiring to buy a home with my fiancée.

I work in public service, currently with Big Brothers Big Sisters, where I direct a high school mentoring program. I am privileged to see the intelligence and potential of our city's youth, and am dedicated to creating a more equitable Seattle for them.

I am running to serve District 4 because our city is growing rapidly and needs capable leaders who are committed to working together to ensure every resident benefits from our growth. This is the type of leadership I bring to my work everyday, and will continue to bring to city hall.

This campaign is about bringing your voice and my experience to our City Council. I'm running as your neighbor, and your advocate. Join me and let's build something better together!

This candidate is participating in the Democracy Voucher Program.

Candidate Name: Ann Davison Sattler

Campaign Name: Neighbors for Ann

Campaign website: NeighborsforAnn.com

City Council District Number: 5

Campaign Telephone Number: 206-775-8838

Candidate Introduction:

Over my twenty plus years in the city, I've lived in five different Seattle neighborhoods. I am a mother of two children, an activist, and attorney. While previously working for the Seattle SuperSonics, I now have a small law practice in Seattle and teach international business law classes at UW Continuum College.

Whether it is tutoring at the Central Area Youth Association in Seattle, or volunteer coaching youth soccer, community service is important to me. I have also stayed involved through volunteering with my local school board, the homeless, a recovery home for the formerly incarcerated, and a refugee camp overseas.

The community outcry for improvement on homelessness and housing, public safety, and addiction prevention/recovery have driven me to run for office. With a leader committed to responding to residents' concerns and fiscal responsibility, meaningful progress is possible in district 5. I am committed to being that vehicle for change.

This candidate is not participating in the Democracy Voucher Program.

Candidate Introductions

Candidate Name: John Lombard

Campaign Name: Friends of John Lombard

Campaign website: votejohnlombard.com

City Council District Number: 5

Campaign Telephone Number: 206-486-0439

Candidate Introduction:

I'm running for City Council to bring engaged, responsive leadership to District 5; to help the City develop and implement a balanced, realistic and effective response to homelessness; and to help keep the City focused on other priority issues, including public safety, affordable housing, and transportation. I've been a community leader in District 5 for 17 years, serving as President of Thornton Creek Alliance, an influential leader of the Northgate Stakeholders Group, Co-Chair of the North District Council, and lead organizer of the D5 Community Network. I'm a Northgate resident, am deeply familiar with the needs and aspirations of the Lake City community, and want to work with communities along both sides of Aurora to reverse its decades of neglect. I'm a renter, enjoy and value the diversity of D5, and will prioritize fighting displacement from new development. I'd be honored to receive your Democracy Vouchers!

This candidate is participating in the Democracy Voucher Program.

Candidate Name: Jon Lisbin

Campaign Name: Friends of Jon Lisbin

Campaign website: jonlisbin.com

City Council District Number: 6

Campaign Telephone Number: 206-794-5969

Candidate Introduction:

As a resident of Ballard for more than 15 years and small business owner, I've been deeply involved in our community - as a Director of Salmon Bay's K-8 Parent Teacher Organization (FOSB), coach and Board Member of Ballard Little league, and President of Seattle Fair Growth, a neighborhood advocacy group whose mission is to maintain Seattle's livability while accommodating its rapid growth. I'm running for Seattle City Council to empower our neighborhoods and tackle the many issues facing Seattle today like housing affordability, homelessness and dealing with our city's growth. On the campaign trail, I have heard repeatedly that residents do not feel as though the current City Council hears their concerns or spends their tax dollars wisely. If elected, I will ensure all voices are valued and heard. I am proud to participate in the Democracy Voucher Program and I would be honored to earn your vote.

This candidate is participating in the Democracy Voucher Program.

Candidate Introductions

Candidate Name: Kate Martin

Campaign Name: Put Kate On the Council

Campaign website: <https://www.putkateonthecouncil.org/>

City Council District Number: 6

Campaign Telephone Number: (206) 579-3703

Candidate Introduction:

Greetings residents and businesses from Green Lake to Golden Gardens and Blue Ridge to Fremont.

District 6 has been without representation on the city council. Let's fix that.

As a District 6 resident for 33 years, I've been relentlessly engaged in local, citywide, and school district issues since the 90s and my career as a professional planner and designer has given me decades of experience developing practical and creative ideas that work. I thrive on collaboration and doing the "deep dive" into issues which are needed to develop effective policy and legislation.

Our crisis-level problems including the epidemic of broke and broken people, rampant crime, incivility and disorder, and the lack of affordable housing and business space require immediate responses upstream and downstream.

Count on me to address rudderless spending, poorly managed growth, and top-down legislative attacks on our neighborhoods and small businesses.

I'd be honored to have your support.

This candidate is participating in the Democracy Voucher Program.

Candidate Name: Terry Rice

Campaign Name: Elect Terry Rice

Campaign website: www.ElectTerryRice.com

City Council District Number: 6

Campaign Telephone Number: 206.799.5280

Candidate Introduction:

I am a pragmatic, progressive candidate. Like most of my neighbors in District 6 I am worried about the high number of my neighbors experiencing homelessness. This is not only a humanitarian disaster but also a public health and safety concern. There are very specific things that can be done right now to reduce the number of people experiencing homelessness. We have 12,000 people experiencing homelessness in our city and 6,000 beds. With nearly \$200 million per year spent on providing services for people experiencing homelessness there is plenty of room to find efficiencies to fix basic problems like this. To reduce gridlock and to reduce our emissions we must continue to invest in transit and improve metro service while light rail lines are being built. We must allow ADUs city wide and protect urban villages in order to curb the skyrocketing cost of housing in Seattle.

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Candidate Introductions

Candidate Name: Andrew Lewis

Campaign Name: Lewis for Seattle

Campaign website: www.lewisforseattle.com

City Council District Number: 7

Campaign Telephone Number: 206-434-5871

Candidate Introduction:

My name is Andrew Lewis and I am running to represent you on the Seattle City Council because I am committed to building more affordable housing, securing a one-for-one replacement for the Magnolia Bridge, fighting for a downtown school, and expanding performance auditing in our city government. I grew up in Seattle in a working class family, and graduated from the Center School in Queen Anne. I'm a proud graduate of the University of Washington, as well as the London School of Economics, and the University of California, Berkeley, School of Law. I currently serve as a prosecutor in the Seattle City Attorney's Office.

Proudly endorsed: the King County Labor Council, Rep. Gael Tarleton; fmr. County Councilmember Larry Phillips; fmr. City Councilmembers Martha Choe, Heidi Wills, Nick Licata, and Peter Steinbrueck; and many more!

I look forward to hearing more from you, and I hope to earn your vote!

This candidate is participating in the Democracy Voucher Program.

Candidate Name: Isabelle Kerner

Campaign Name: Kerner for Council

Campaign website: kernerforcouncil.com

City Council District Number: 7

Campaign Telephone Number: 206-271-1560

Candidate Introduction:

Born and raised in Seattle, Kerner developed an expansive view of Seattle's demographic when she abandoned the private school sector to attend Garfield High School where she participated in Seattle's 'Running Start' program.

Kerner graduated from American University in Washington, DC with a degree in Political Science & a minor in Studio Art. Kerner interned for Washington State Senator, Maria Cantwell, before working as an International Filing Specialist at patent law firm, Banner & Witcoff.

Kerner blames the current Council's lack of creativity, reluctance to compromise, and inability to work with businesses of all sizes for aggravating Seattle's most pressing socioeconomic and political issues. Kerner plans to address homelessness by developing shipping containers into transitional housing, using underutilized or vacant city-owned land, providing individuals with opportunities to save money cleaning up the mess that homelessness has created, and partnering with companies struggling to meet increased demands for skilled workers.

This candidate is participating in the Democracy Voucher Program

Candidate Introductions

Candidate Name: Michael George

Campaign Name: People for Michael George

Campaign website: <http://www.michaelforseattle.com>

City Council District Number: 7

Campaign Telephone Number: (206) 513-3664

Candidate Introduction:

Michael George is running to bring accountability and practical thinking to City Hall. He's committed to increasing housing access for people of all ages and incomes, making it easier for people to get to and through the City, solving the crisis facing our unsheltered neighbors and setting Seattle up for long term success. Having worked on many of Seattle's most complex housing and transportation projects, Michael brings practical real-world experience to Council and understands the challenges in balancing inclusivity and neighborhood livability.

Michael lives Downtown with his wife and two young children. Michael co-leads Parents for a Better Downtown Seattle, a non-profit dedicated to making Downtown a better neighborhood for children. He's also served on the Seattle Public Schools Capacity Task Force, and volunteered on countless projects aimed at making Seattle work for people of all ages and incomes.

This candidate is participating in the Democracy Voucher Program

Candidate Name: Naveed Jamali

Campaign Name: Naveed for Seattle

Campaign website: <http://naveedforseattle.com/>

City Council District Number: 7

Campaign Telephone Number: (425) 954-3286

Candidate Introduction:

Seattle has a leadership crisis. Our City Council is unable to make real progress on real problems. This is our chance to reject their failed, divisive policies and to elect representatives who will work diligently on behalf of all their constituents. For District 7, Naveed Jamali is the clear choice. Naveed has dedicated his life to keeping the public safe. He knows that true leadership requires the drive to uncover the truth, the humility to admit mistakes, and the courage to try a new way forward. He knows what it means to make a sacrifice for something greater.

Naveed is a US Navy intelligence officer, author, and former MSNBC analyst. He received commendation from FBI Director Robert Mueller for his civilian work with the Bureau. He was awarded New York's Humanitarian Medal for service in the aftermath of Hurricane Sandy. He lives in Queen Anne with his wife and children.

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